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In re Application of

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DUFFIE, III et al.

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For:

ARRANGEMENT IN AN IP NODE FOR PRESERVING SECURITY-BASED SEQUENCES BY ORDERING IP PACKETS ACCORDING TO QUALITY OF

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## **RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Nonfinal Official Action mailed September 4, 2007, Applicant submits the following remarks.

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested. Claims 1-22, 27-31, and 34-37 and 39-42 are pending in the application.

Claims 1, 10, 18, 27, and 40-42 stand rejected under 35 USC §103 in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,092,113 to Maeshima et al. and U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0051130 by MeLampy et al.. This rejection is respectfully traversed, as the rejection fails to establish a prima facie case of obviousness. As demonstrated below, the applied references fail to disclose or suggest the claimed features as argued in the rejection, and therefore fail to establish a rational basis for the

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